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Section 16
Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

Overview

16.1 The terms of reference of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) were established by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 37 (IV) of 28 March 1947 and amended in subsequent resolutions. Its activities are carried out at ESCAP headquarters at Bangkok and the ESCAP Pacific Operations Centre (EPOC), located in Vanuatu.

16.2 The demands placed on the secretariat have increased in the light of the significant increase in membership and expanded geographical scope of the Commission. During the biennium 1996-1997, emphasis will be placed on the promotion and enhancement of existing regional cooperation modalities and the establishment of new modalities; building of national capabilities and technical assistance activities in the context of the current and emerging socio-economic and political imperatives that have an impact on the Asia and Pacific region; and strengthening the implementation of the directives and mandates.

16.3 The thematic orientation of the programme of work implemented in the biennium 1994-1995, based on the former sectoral orientation, is reflected in the composition of the intergovernmental structure subsidiary to the Commission. This structure comprises three thematic committees, namely, the Committee for Regional Economic Cooperation, the Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development, and the Committee on Poverty Alleviation through Economic Growth and Social Development; two other committees, namely, the Committee on Statistics and the Committee on Transport and Communications; and two special bodies, namely, the Special Body on Least Developed and Land-locked Developing Countries and the Special Body on Pacific Island Developing Countries. The benefits of the thematic approach should evolve during the biennium 1996-1997 as changes are effected to the secretariat structure to support the thematically oriented programme of work.

16.4 In implementing its programme of work, ESCAP will continue its liaison and coordination with the other regional commissions and the substantive organs, departments and offices of the United Nations Secretariat, as well as with relevant United Nations specialized agencies and non-governmental and intergovernmental organizations and institutions at the international, regional and subregional levels working in fields related to its programme of work.

16.5 The overall level of resources proposed for the biennium 1996-1997 reflects an increase of $287,000, or 0.4 per cent, resulting from the establishment of one P-5 post under subprogramme 3, Poverty alleviation through economic growth and social development, and one P-4 post under subprogramme 6, Least developed, land-locked and island developing countries, and the reclassification of one Local level post to the P-2 level as a result of the General Service classification exercise under Programme support. Other increases under contractual services, general operating expenses and equipment are partially offset by decreases under other staff costs, consultants and experts and travel.

16.6 The estimated percentage distribution of the total resources of ESCAP in 1996-1997 would be as follows:

		Regular budget	*Extra-budgetary*
		(percentage)	
A.	Policy-making organs	1.5	—
B.	Executive direction and management	2.5	0.2
C.	Programme of work	46.1	92.2
D.	Programme support	49.9	7.6
	Total	**100.0**	**100.0**

Table 16.1 **Summary of requirements by programme**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Programme		*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
				Amount	*Percentage*			
A.	Policy-making organs	666.1	839.1	59.9	7.1	899.0	113.9	1 012.9
B.	Executive direction and management	3 289.1	1 518.5	(3.8)	(0.2)	1 514.7	145.6	1 660.3
C.	Programme of work	23 482.3	27 713.8	690.9	2.4	28 404.7	2 726.8	31 131.5
D.	Programme support	23 823.9	31 207.0	(460.0)	(1.4)	30 747.0	3 168.9	33 915.9
	Total	**51 261.4**	**61 278.4**	**287.0**	**0.4**	**61 565.4**	**6 155.2**	**67 720.6**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
3 094.8	3 212.2	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	3 708.8
—	—	(b) Substantive activities	—
		(c) Operational projects	
5 784.3	3 581.8	UNDP	3 020.0
3 539.6	2 815.2	UNFPA	2 164.0
23.8	849.1	Other multilateral resources	965.0
12 133.8	15 919.3	Bilateral resources	20 447.0
24 576.3	**26 376.6**	**Total**	**30 304.8**
75 837.7	**87 655.0**	**Total (1) and (2)**	**98 025.4**

Table 16.2 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	43 224.1	51 668.6	252.0	0.4	51 920.6	4 927.7	56 848.3
Other staff costs	802.0	914.2	(23.4)	(2.5)	890.8	112.9	1 003.7
Consultants and experts	358.4	625.6	(126.3)	(20.1)	499.3	64.7	564.0
Travel	936.8	1 149.7	(59.7)	(5.1)	1 090.0	141.0	1 231.0
Contractual services	620.5	556.3	14.2	2.5	570.5	72.6	643.1
General operating expenses	3 292.6	4 402.8	3.8	—	4 406.6	559.4	4 966.0
Supplies and materials	746.7	719.5	—	—	719.5	91.8	811.3
Equipment	1 280.3	1 241.7	226.4	18.2	1 468.1	185.1	1 653.2
Total	**51 261.4**	**61 278.4**	**287.0**	**0.4**	**61 565.4**	**6 155.2**	**67 720.6**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Object of expenditure*	*1996-1997 estimates*
7 837.4	7 266.5	Posts	4 680.0
4 376.2	4 076.0	Consultants and experts	6 370.0
1 356.4	1 319.5	Travel	2 616.0
2 095.5	2 890.5	Contractual services	2 494.8
341.8	192.4	Equipment	558.0
6 546.9	8 994.8	Fellowships, grants, contributions	10 888.0
2 054.5	1 636.9	Other expenditures	2 698.0
24 608.7	**26 376.6**		**30 304.8**
75 870.1	**87 655.0**		**98 025.4**

Table 16.3 **Post requirements**

Programme: Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
USG	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
D-2	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
D-1	12	12	—	—	—	—	12	12
P-5	26	27	—	—	18	14	44	41
P-4/3	113	115	1	—	17	20	131	135
P-2/1	30	31	—	—	3	1	33	32
Total	**183**	**187**	**1**	**—**	**38**	**35**	**222**	**222**
Other categories								
Local level	326	325	—	—	94	78	420	403
Field Service	3	3	—	—	—	—	3	3
Total	**329**	**328**	**—**	**—**	**94**	**78**	**423**	**406**
Grand total	**512**	**515**	**1**	**—**	**132**	**113**	**645**	**628**

A. Policy-making organs

Table 16.4 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Other staff costs	212.1	366.2	30.0	8.1	396.2	50.3	446.5
Consultants and experts	—	—	43.7	—	43.7	5.6	49.3
Travel	407.5	339.6	—	—	339.6	42.6	382.2
Contractual services	—	85.2	—	—	85.2	10.9	96.1
General operating expenses	23.4	20.6	(13.8)	(66.9)	6.8	0.9	7.7
Supplies and materials	23.1	27.5	—	—	27.5	3.6	31.1
Total	**666.1**	**839.1**	**59.9**	**7.1**	**899.0**	**113.9**	**1 012.9**

16.7 The Commission, which meets annually, provides overall direction to the work of the secretariat. The Commission has 49 member and 10 associate member countries and territories. In addition to the subsidiary bodies of the Commission mentioned in paragraph 16.3 above, an Advisory Committee of Permanent Representatives and Other Representatives Designated by Members of the Commission meets monthly to advise the Executive Secretary in the exercise of his functions and to liaise between the Commission and the secretariat.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Other staff costs

16.8 The proposed requirements of $396,200, including an increase of $30,000 under temporary assistance for meetings to cover interpretation and translation services required during peak times in connection with the annual Commission sessions and meetings of committees, intergovernmental and special bodies, and ad hoc ministerial conferences.

Consultants and experts

16.9 The estimated requirements of $43,700 would cover the cost of consultants to provide expertise in connection with the preparation of special thematic studies as may be mandated by the Commission.

Travel

16.10 The estimated requirements of $339,600 relate to the travel costs of conference-servicing staff detailed from New York and Geneva to service the Commission sessions and other meetings held under the auspices of ESCAP.

Contractual services

16.11 The estimated requirements of $85,200 relate to contractual editing required for documentation submitted to the intergovernmental bodies, in particular for the annual *Economic and Social Survey of Asia and the Pacific*.

General operating expenses

16.12 The estimated requirements for hospitality and miscellaneous services during the holding of the Commission sessions and its subsidiary bodies would amount to $6,800. The reduction of $13,800 relates to the completion of the conference complex, which obviates the need for rental of furniture and equipment during the sessions.

Supplies and materials

16.13 An estimated amount of $27,500 is proposed for supplies and materials required for the holding of the Commission sessions and other meetings.

B. Executive direction and management

Table 16.5 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	3 126.9	1 325.2	—	—	1 352.2	121.5	1 446.7
Other staff costs	0.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Consultants and experts	—	27.3	(3.6)	(13.1)	23.7	3.0	26.7
Travel	162.1	166.0	(0.2)	(0.1)	165.8	21.1	186.9
Total	**3 289.1**	**1 518.5**	**(3.8)**	**(0.2)**	**1 514.7**	**145.6**	**1 660.3**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
38.1	40.5	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	45.0
—	—	(b) Substantive activities	—
		(c) Operational projects	
32.4	—	Bilateral sources	—
70.5	**40.5**		**45.0**
3 359.6	**1 559.0**		**1 705.3**

Table 16.6 **Post requirements**

Programme: Executive direction and management

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
USG	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
D-2	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
P-5	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
P-4/3	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
Total	**4**	**4**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**4**	**4**
Other categories								
Local level	7	7	—	—	1	1	8	8
Total	**7**	**7**	**—**	**—**	**1**	**1**	**8**	**8**
Grand total	**11**	**11**	**—**	**—**	**1**	**1**	**12**	**12**

16.14 The Office of the Executive Secretary provides overall direction, supervision and management of the secretariat and substantive and support services to the Commission and its subsidiary bodies; and promotes economic and social development and regional cooperation among the member and associate member countries of the Commission through the implementation of its legislative mandates and the approved programme of work.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

16.15 The staff resources would comprise four posts in the Professional category and above and seven Local level posts.

Consultants and experts

16.16 The estimated requirements of $23,700 relate to consultants to provide expertise to undertake research and an overview of new and emerging needs in the work of the Commission.

Travel

16.17 The estimated requirements of $165,800 relate to travel of the Executive Secretary and his immediate staff to attend meetings within and outside the region, for consultations with Governments and intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and for coordination with other United Nations entities.

C. Programme of work

16.18 Programme 31, Regional cooperation for development in Asia and the Pacific, of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997, as revised (A/47/6/Rev.1), provides the framework for the activities to be undertaken by ESCAP during the biennium 1996-1997. These activities are described under the six subprogrammes presented below. The resource distribution of the programme of work may be seen under the relevant subprogrammes.

Table 16.7 **Summary of requirements by programme**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Programme	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
1. Regional economic cooperation	7 973.8	8 528.0	(141.3)	(1.6)	8 386.7	804.0	9 190.7
2. Environment and sustainable development	4 990.9	5 833.8	153.8	2.6	5 987.6	570.4	6 558.0
3. Poverty alleviation through economic growth and social development	4 935.4	5 923.3	522.0	8.8	6 445.3	620.4	7 065.7
4. Transport and communications	3 164.2	3 982.4	(11.5)	(0.2)	3 970.9	383.9	4 354.8
5. Statistics	2 060.0	2 310.5	33.1	1.4	2 343.6	225.3	2 568.9
6. Least developed, land-locked and island developing countries	358.0	1 135.8	134.8	11.8	1 270.6	122.8	1 393.4
Total	**23 482.3**	**27 713.8**	**690.9**	**2.4**	**28 404.7**	**2 726.8**	**31 131.5**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
1 628.7	1 522.5	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	1 695.0
—	—	(b) Substantive activities	—
		(c) Operational projects	
5 746.3	3 581.8	UNDP	3 020.0
3 539.6	2 549.8	UNFPA	2 164.0
23.8	849.1	Other multilateral resources	965.0
11 925.5	15 683.7	Bilateral resources	20 117.0
22 861.9	**24 186.9**	**Total**	**27 961.0**
46 344.2	**51 900.7**	**Total (1) and (2)**	**59 092.5**

Table 16.8 **Post requirements**

Programme: Programme of work

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
D-1	10	10	—	—	—	—	10	10
P-5	18	19	—	—	16	13	34	32
P-4/3	67	71	1	—	16	19	84	90
P-2/1	20	21	—	—	2	—	22	21
Total	**115**	**121**	**1**	**—**	**34**	**32**	**150**	**153**
Other categories								
Local level	87	89	—	—	61	45	148	134
Total	**87**	**89**	**—**	**—**	**61**	**45**	**148**	**134**
Grand total	**202**	**210**	**1**	**—**	**95**	**77**	**298**	**287**

16.19 The estimated percentage distribution of resources among the subprogrammes would be as follows:

	Regular budget	*Extra-budgetary*
	(percentage)	
Subprogramme 1 Regional economic cooperation	29.5	25.4
Subprogramme 2 Environment and sustainable development	21.0	15.6
Subprogramme 3 Poverty alleviation through economic growth and social development	22.7	39.7
Subprogramme 4 Transport and communications	14.0	12.8
Subprogramme 5 Statistics	8.3	5.3
Subprogramme 6 Least developed, land-locked and island developing countries	4.5	1.2
Total	**100.0**	**100.0**

Subprogrammes 1 to 3 have been designated high priority by the General Assembly.

Subprogramme 1
Regional economic cooperation

Table 16.9 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	7 661.2	8 065.4	(64.4)	(0.7)	8 001.0	754.6	8 755.6
Other staff costs	5.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
Consultants and experts	129.3	204.4	(51.4)	(25.1)	153.0	19.5	172.5
Travel	101.0	147.4	(3.3)	(2.2)	144.1	18.6	162.7
Contractual services	76.7	110.8	(22.2)	(20.0)	88.6	11.3	99.9
Total	**7 973.8**	**8 528.0**	**(141.3)**	**(1.6)**	**8 386.7**	**804.0**	**9 190.7**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
458.0	385.5	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	360.0
—	—	(b) Substantive activities	—
		(c) Operational projects	
1 989.5	710.9	UNDP	850.0
2 785.6	4 499.1	Bilateral resources	5 895.0
5 233.1	**5 595.5**	**Total**	**7 105.0**
13 206.9	**14 123.9**	**Total (1) and (2)**	**16 295.7**

Table 16.10 **Post requirements**

Programme: Regional economic cooperation

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
D-1	3	3	—	—	—	—	3	3
P-5	5	5	—	—	3	3	8	8
P-4/3	21	21	—	—	1	3	22	24
P-2/1	7	6	—	—	—	—	7	6
Total	**36**	**35**	**—**	**—**	**4**	**6**	**40**	**41**
Other categories								
Local level	28	29	—	—	10	8	38	37
Total	**28**	**29**	**—**	**—**	**10**	**8**	**38**	**37**
Grand total	**64**	**64**	**—**	**—**	**14**	**14**	**78**	**78**

16.20 The activities carried out under the subprogramme during the biennium 1994-1995 focused on structural changes, economic restructuring and policy reforms, and consisted of research and operational activities with the objective of strengthening institutional capacities, skill development and promoting trade, investment and technology linkages in the region.

16.21 Activities during the biennium 1996-1997 will aim at further spreading the development dynamism being experienced by an increasing number of developing countries in the Asia-Pacific region and will focus on analytical perspectives on economic development issues, strategies and policies; and identifying and analysing emerging development challenges facing the countries of the region, as well as the deepening trends towards greater complementarity and interdependence among them.

16.22 Efforts will be intensified to assist the developing members and associate members of the Commission in the implementation of the agreements of the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations. The potential offered by the growing prospects for intraregional trade, investment and technology transfer and industrial complementarities will be pursued, and regional, subregional and inter-subregional cooperation will be fostered. Trade efficiency measures, including business process re-engineering, will be promoted and stimulated through increased use of recent developments in information and communication technologies, with special attention to the role of the private sector.

16.23 Intensified efforts will be made to enable greater participation of the least developed and island developing countries and the disadvantaged economies in transition in the mainstream of the region's economic development.

Activities

1. International cooperation

External relations. Cooperation and liaison with governmental and non-governmental institutions and organizations in strengthening analytical perspectives on economic development issues, industrial and technological development and strategies and policies on trade and investment issues, and, with subregional organizations, to promote inter-subregional cooperation.

2. *Parliamentary services*

(a) *Parliamentary documentation*. Submission of 32 reports to the Commission and its subsidiary bodies;

(b) *Substantive services*. Substantive and technical services will be provided to the meetings of the Commission and its subsidiary machinery;

(c) *Ad hoc expert groups*. (i) Development issues and policies (2); (ii) new approaches in industrial financing; (iii) regional cooperation measures for assessment and adoption of new and clean technologies; and (iv) inter-subregional cooperation in trade and investment.

3. *Published material*

(a) *One hundred and seven recurrent publications*. (i) *Economic and Social Survey of Asia and the Pacific* (2); (ii) *Asia-Pacific Development Journal*; (iii) *Development Papers*; (iv) *Industrial and Technological Development News for Asia and the Pacific* (2); (v) *Small Industry Bulletin for Asia and the Pacific* (2); (vi) *Regional Trade and Investment Review* (2); (vii) *TISNET Trade Information Bulletin* (46); (xviii) *Prices of Selected Asia/Pacific Products* (24); (ix) *Directory of Trade Promotion/Development Organizations of Developing Countries and Areas in Asia and the Pacific*; (x) Trade review of the Bangkok Agreement (2); and (xi) *Fertilizer Trade Information Monthly Bulletin* (24);

(b) *Twenty-two non-recurrent publications*. (i) Fiscal and financial management issues for the developing economies in the region within the evolving global and regional environment; (ii) role and implications of macroeconomic policies for promotion of regional economic cooperation; (iii) macroeconomic policies for restructuring, stabilization and growth in the region, with special attention to developments in the regional disadvantaged economies in transition; (iv) institutional and policy reforms for effective mobilization of private capital for development; (v) emerging issues and concerns in industrial development and technological development and restructuring in the post-Uruguay-Round period: growing competition and need for improved manufacturing competitiveness; (vi) cooperative measures for promoting interregional and intraregional flows of industrial investments and technology, including for the least developed countries and the economies in transition; (vii) strengthening participation of the private sector and non-governmental organizations including objective assessment of privatization measures for industrial and technological development; (viii) new and innovative ways to develop and strengthen industrial and technological skills (2); (ix) regional cooperation for development of export-oriented small and medium industries: implications of trade-related investment measures and trade-related intellectual property rights on flows of technology; (x) technology indicators and directories of selected research and development institutions, experts and technologies (2); (xi) legal aspects of transfer of new and clean sound technologies; (xii) implications of adoption of ISO 9000 and organizational re-engineering measures on technological development; (xiii) regional trade and investment issues (2); (xiv) trade and product profiles (2); (xv) implications of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation for intraregional trade; (xvi) implications of the European Union for the Asian and Pacific economies; and (xvii) trade efficiency issues and business process re-engineering (2).

4. *Information material*

Information material on matters relating to regional economic cooperation in response to requests from the public and private sectors and non-governmental organizations.

5. *Operational activities (XB)*

(a) *Advisory services*. Macroeconomic management, restructuring, stabilization and growth in countries in transition; developing and promoting small and medium industries; policy formulation and reorientations for promoting industrial investment flows and technology transfer; development and utilization of information technologies for manufacturing industries; building up capabilities for the adoption of ISO 9000 and re-engineering measures in small and medium-scale industries; development of trade and investment policy, trade promotion and trade efficiency in the developing economies, particularly economies in transition, least developed countries and geographically

disadvantaged countries; intraregional trade and investment; export promotion; information services for trade and investment; and women's participation in economic development;

(b) *Group training, seminars and workshops*. Macroeconomic management and policy reform; Agenda for Development as a basis for strengthening regional economic cooperation; Regional Forum for Sustainable Industrial Development and Restructuring in Asia and the Pacific; export-oriented small and medium industries, including adoption of ISO 9000; industrial investment technology flows and consultancy services for emerging technologies in manufacturing industries; industrial and technological skills; agricultural and allied industries and national capacity-building for diversification of trade; intra- and inter-subregional cooperation in trade and investment; intraregional trade and investment policies and prospects; regional cooperation in trade efficiency and business process re-engineering; promotion of exports of developing countries, with particular emphasis on least developed and Pacific island countries and developing economies in transition; implementation of the agreements of the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations and their impact on Asian and Pacific economies and emerging issues related to international trade, investment flows and technology transfer; trade/transit facilities for land-locked countries; networks of institutional support for development of trade and investment flows; promotion of women's participation in economic development; and strengthening of regional information services for trade and investment.

6. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Coordination and liaison with other programmes, bodies and specialized agencies of the United Nations system on activities relating to the subprogramme, including the ESCAP network on trade facilitation bodies; and to ESCAP's regional institute, the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Staff costs

16.24 The estimated requirements relate to 35 posts in the Professional category and above and 29 Local level posts. It is proposed to redeploy one P-4 and one Local level post from programme support to strengthen the activities relating to trade and trade-related investment policies. It is also proposed to redeploy one P-3 post to subprogramme 3, Poverty alleviation through economic growth and social development, and one P-2 post to subprogramme 2, Environment and sustainable development.

Consultants and experts

16.25 The estimated requirements of $153,000 relate to expert assistance in the preparation of specialized reports and studies ($95,200) and the convening of the ad hoc expert group meetings referred to above ($57,800).

Travel

16.26 The estimated requirements of $144,100 relate to attendance at meetings of United Nations bodies and other intergovernmental organizations, servicing of meetings, advisory services and consultations with Governments and relevant authorities, and data collection for the implementation of the programme of work.

Contractual services

16.27 The estimated requirements of $88,600 relate to the printing of various publications of the subprogramme.

Subprogramme 2
Environment and sustainable development

Table 16.11 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	4 770.2	5 538.0	200.2	3.6	5 738.2	537.8	6 276.0
Consultants and experts	61.1	104.5	(25.6)	(24.4)	78.9	10.1	89.0
Travel	72.2	110.1	(9.9)	(8.9)	100.2	13.6	113.8
Contractual services	87.4	81.2	(10.9)	(13.4)	70.3	8.9	79.2
Total	**4 990.9**	**5 833.8**	**153.8**	**2.6**	**5 987.6**	**570.4**	**6 558.0**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
220.3	188.8	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	270.0
—	—	(b) Substantive activities	—
		(c) Operational projects	
1 847.1	1 846.0	UNDP	900.0
—	257.8	Other multilateral resources	300.0
2 392.4	2 879.6	Bilateral resources	2 902.0
4 459.8	**5 172.2**	**Total**	**4 372.0**
9 450.7	**11 006.0**	**Total (1) and (2)**	**10 930.0**

Table 16.12 **Post requirements**

Programme: Environment and sustainable development

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
P-5	5	5	—	—	2	2	7	7
P-4/3	15	15	—	—	—	4	15	19
P-2/1	4	5	—	—	—	—	4	5
Total	**25**	**26**	**—**	**—**	**2**	**6**	**27**	**32**
Other categories								
Local level	15	16	—	—	7	6	22	22
Total	**15**	**16**	**—**	**—**	**7**	**6**	**22**	**22**
Grand total	**40**	**42**	**—**	**—**	**9**	**12**	**49**	**54**

16.28 The activities under this subprogramme will aim at strengthening the capability of ESCAP members and associate members in environmental and natural resource management; integration of environmental considerations into economic policy decision-making; transfer of environmentally sound technologies; sustainable rural and urban development; population and sustainable development; and natural disaster reduction.

16.29 During the biennium 1996-1997, work will focus on practical actions in the following specific areas: capacity-building for sustainable development; environmental protection; integration of environmental considerations into economic decision-making; energy development and management; mineral resource assessment, development and management; land-use planning and management; assessment and integrated development and management of water resources; natural disaster reduction; space technology applications for sustainable development; transfer of environmentally sound technologies; environmentally friendly crop protection; assessment of demographic change in the environmental context; environment database development; and environmentally sound and sustainable rural and urban development.

Activities

1. International cooperation

External relations. Liaison and cooperation with intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations on matters relating to all aspects of the subprogramme, in particular with the Coordinating Committee for Coastal and Offshore Geoscience Programmes in East and South-East Asia, the Typhoon Committee, the Panel on Tropical Cyclones and the Interim Committee for Coordination of Investigations of the Lower Mekong Basin.

2. Parliamentary Services

(a) *Parliamentary documentation*. Six reports to the Commission; and 14 reports to the Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development on selected issues in relation to the implementation of Agenda 21;

(b) *Substantive services*. Substantive and technical services will be provided to the annual sessions of the Commission and meetings of the Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development; and to the Intergovernmental Consultative Committee on the ESCAP Regional Space Applications Programme for Development;

(c) *Six ad hoc expert groups*. (i) Energy infrastructure and pricing policies; (ii) working party of senior geologists; (iii) sustainable development of water resources; (iv) methodology for environmental planning and assessment; (v) policies on integration of space technology applications with sustainable development planning; and (vi) interlinkages between environment, morbidity and health.

3. Published material

(a) *One hundred and seventeen recurrent publications*. (i) *ESCAP Environment Newsletter* (8); (ii) *Environment News Briefing* (24); (iii) *ESCAP Energy News* (4); (iv) *Energy Resources Development Series;* (v) *Electric Power in Asia and the Pacific;* (vi) *Atlas of Mineral Resources* (2); (vii) Mineral concentrations and hydrocarbon accumulations; (viii) Urban and environmental geology (2); (ix) Implications of the new ocean regime deriving from the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea; (x) *Water Resources Journal* (8); (xi) *Confluence* (4); (xii) *Water Resources Series* (2); (xiii) *Space Technology Applications Newsletter* (8); (xiv) *Asian-Pacific Remote Sensing and GIS Journal* (4); (xv) *Development Papers;* (xvi) *Agro-chemicals News in Brief* (12); (xvii) *RISS: Regional Information Support Service on Agro-chemicals* (26); and (xviii) *Calendar of Meetings on Agro-chemicals* (8);

(b) *Thirty-nine non-recurrent publications*. (i) Proceedings of the Conference on Environment and Development in Asia and the Pacific; (ii) Agenda 21 and the challenges for the Asia-Pacific region; (iii) implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity; (iv) regional implementation of the Convention on desertification (2); (v) sustainable development: methodologies, approaches and assessment; (vi) ecological tourism development; (vii) integrated resource planning: status and potential in Asian countries of electricity and natural gas (2); (viii) energy efficiency centres; (ix) community participation in the implementation of environmental regulations in the electric power sector; (x) renewable sources of energy supply: environmental management through entrepreneurial development; (xi) mineral resources assessment, development and management; (xii) environmental management of mineral resources development; (xiii) geology for land-use planning and environmental management; (xiv) marine environment and non-living marine resources development; (xv) water resources and demand by user sectors — Phase IV; (xvi) sustainable development of water resources in Asia and the Pacific; (xvii) guidelines on standardization of the Geographic Information System (GIS); (xviii) space technology and applications; (xix) remote sensing and GIS for environment and natural resources management (2); (xx) space applications for sustainable development; (xxi) modalities for integrating environmental considerations into economic decision-making; (xxii) modelling and simulation of macroeconomic systems; (xxiii) socio-economic implications of introducing ozone preservation substances and technologies; (xxiv) population and environment; (xxv) environmental protection and urban development in secondary cities; (xxvi) guidelines for environmentally sound land-use policies; (xxvii) healthy cities; (xxviii) economic aspects of the use of less hazardous pesticides and integrated pest management; (xxix) supply, marketing, distribution and use of fertilizers (4); (xxx) directory of sources of fertilizer-related information; (xxxi) environmentally sound development and management of fertilizer (2); and (xxxii) critical elements of sustainable development;

(c) *Technical material*. Database and modelling for environmental resource accounting, planning and assessment in the region; sectoral energy demand database and analysis of the energy situation; energy planning software; Regional Information Support Service database on remote sensing and GIS; transfer of environmentally sound technologies (2); maintenance and update of database on pesticides and the environment; and database on agro-chemicals and the environment.

4. Information materials and services

(a) *Booklets, pamphlets, fact sheets, wall charts and information kits*. Information on promotion of environmentally sound and sustainable development;

(b) Exhibits and other visual materials for World Day for Water and the International Day for Natural Disaster Reduction (2).

5. Operational activities (XB)

(a) *Advisory services.* Services on implementation of the Regional Action Programme for Environmentally Sound and Sustainable Development; ecological tourism development and reports from citizens on the environment; capacity-building for implementation of environment conventions and international conventions on hazardous-waste management control and waste audits; coastal environmental management; evaluation and impact assessment of sustainable development and technical assistance in coastal areas; energy development, conservation and management policy; environmental impact and risk assessment of energy systems; energy resource options and technologies; applications of new and renewable sources of energy, energy mixes, and rural energy supply; power-system planning and maintenance; mineral exploration and environmental management of mineral resources development; mineral policies and strategies for resource development; environmental geology and geology for land-use planning; integrated water resources development and management; protection of water resources, water quality and aquatic ecosystems; management of urban water resources and systems; mitigation of water-related natural disasters; space technology applications for sustainable development, with emphasis on policy issues, and institutional building and application of GIS and remote sensing for environment and natural resources management; remote sensing and related GIS applications; environmental considerations in economic decision-making; transfer of environmentally sound technologies and associated capacity-building; population and environment; and pesticides alternatives;

(b) *Group training, seminars and workshops.* Environmentally sound and sustainable development in Asia and the Pacific; environmental awareness and management; resource conservation and energy efficiency; new and renewable sources of energy; energy resource options, technologies and investment (2); power-system planning and maintenance; mineral exploration techniques and evaluation methodologies for resource assessment, and environmental management of mineral resources development; economic geology, mineral resource economics and legislation, and investment promotion in mineral exploration and mining; geological factors in land-use planning and resource accounting; integrated marine policies and non-living marine resources assessment and development; water pricing, water saving and economic use of water; protection of water resources and aquatic ecosystems; investment promotion for water and sanitation, the role of women in water for sustainable development and natural hazard reduction; implementation of the Beijing declaration on space technology applications for environmentally sound and sustainable development in Asia and the Pacific, and the regional strategy and action plan on space applications for sustainable development: regional space applications programme; remote sensing and GIS for land and sea resources management and for tropical ecosystem monitoring; strengthening of national capabilities in space applications for development; monitoring, mapping and sampling techniques for environment and natural resources management; integration of environmental considerations into economic decision-making; assessment of the establishment of a regional cooperative policy mechanism to promote the transfer of environmentally sound technologies; population and environment; promotion of healthy cities and settlements upgrading (2); environmental protection and urban development in secondary cities; and environmentally friendly concepts of crop protection and development and management of agro-chemicals in support of sustainable agricultural development.

6. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Liaison and cooperation with organizations and entities of the United Nations system and other international organizations active in areas related to the subprogramme, including the Inter-Agency Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development in Asia and the Pacific; the Inter-Agency Task Forces on Water for Asia and the Pacific and the Implementation of the Strategy and Action Plan on Space Applications for Sustainable Development in Asia and the Pacific.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

16.30 The estimated requirements relate to 26 posts in the Professional category and above and 16 Local level posts. It is proposed to redeploy one P-2 post from subprogramme 1, Regional economic cooperation, to strengthen capacity-building, coordination, monitoring and review of the implementation of Agenda 21; and one Local level post from programme support.

Consultants and experts

16.31 The estimated requirements of $78,900 relate to consultants to provide expertise for the preparation of specialized reports and publications ($45,200) and to the convening of the expert group meetings listed above ($33,700).

Travel

16.32 The estimated requirements of $100,200 relate to attendance at sessions of the Commission on Sustainable Development, meetings related to the implementation of Agenda 21 and the Committee on Natural Resources, liaison with regional and international organizations active in the field of work, and collection of information and data for the publications under the subprogramme.

Contractual services

16.33 The estimated requirements of $70,300 relate to the printing and binding of publications.

Subprogramme 3
Poverty alleviation through economic growth and social development

Table 16.13 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	4 722.1	5 527.1	629.5	11.3	6 156.6	581.4	6 738.0
Other staff costs	9.9	—	—	—	—	—	—
Consultants and experts	103.2	187.7	(62.0)	(33.0)	125.7	17.0	142.7
Travel	75.4	168.6	(45.5)	(26.0)	123.1	16.6	139.7
Contractual services	24.8	39.9	—	—	39.9	5.4	45.3
Total	**4 935.4**	**5 923.3**	**522.0**	**8.8**	**6 445.3**	**620.4**	**7 065.7**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
519.2	491.1	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	540.0
—	—	(b) Substantive activities	—
		(c) Operational projects	
396.5	270.0	UNDP	670.0
3 451.3	2 176.7	UNFPA	2 164.0
23.8	389.8	Other multilateral resources	415.0
5 103.4	5 173.2	Bilateral resources	7 291.0
9 494.2	**8 500.8**	**Total**	**11 080.0**
14 429.6	**14 424.1**	**Total (1) and (2)**	**18 145.7**

Table 16.14 **Post requirements**

Programme: Poverty alleviation through economic growth and social development

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
D-1	3	3	—	—	—	—	3	3
P-5	4	5	—	—	7	4	11	9
P-4/3	14	16	—	—	7	8	21	24
P-2/1	3	4	—	—	2	—	5	4
Total	**24**	**28**	**—**	**—**	**16**	**12**	**40**	**40**
Other categories								
Local level	17	17	—	—	26	21	43	38
Total	**17**	**17**	**—**	**—**	**26**	**21**	**43**	**38**
Grand total	**41**	**45**	**—**	**—**	**42**	**33**	**83**	**78**

16.34 The objectives of this subprogramme are to increase the understanding and improve the quality and availability of data and analyses of poverty trends, issues and problems, as well as to improve national capabilities in enhancing the quality of social services to meet the basic needs of the poor in Asia and the Pacific. In previous bienniums, those objectives were met through a series of parliamentary, research, information and technical assistance activities, with emphasis on mobilizing government action through the adoption of regional plans of actions.

16.35 Activities for the biennium 1996-1997 will focus on assisting member countries in their efforts to alleviate poverty through economic growth, investment to increase the productivity of the poor, improved access to income-earning opportunities, and enhancement of the quality of life through an improved social services delivery system. The work programme will also address the impact of macroeconomic liberalization on poverty alleviation; social security and services for the poor; human resources development for the poor; population; urbanization; rural development; women in development; and the impact of technology on the poor.

16.36 The work will be carried out under the guidance of the Committee on Poverty Alleviation through Economic Growth and Social Development.

Activities

1. International cooperation

External relations. Liaison and cooperation with intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations on matters relating to the subprogramme.

2. Parliamentary services

(a) *Parliamentary documentation*. Six reports on poverty alleviation to the Commission; four reports to the Committee on Poverty Alleviation through Economic Growth and Social Development; and three reports to the Fifth Asian and Pacific Ministerial Conference on Social Welfare and Social Development;

(b) *Substantive services*. Substantive and technical services will be provided to the meetings of the Committee on Poverty Alleviation through Economic Growth and Social Development and to the Fifth Asian and Pacific Ministerial Conference on Social Welfare and Social Development;

(c) *Six ad hoc expert groups*. (i) Phase III of the Jakarta Plan of Action on Human Resources Development in the ESCAP Region; (ii) implementation of the Agenda for Action on Social Development in the ESCAP Region; (iii) analysis of the role of women in family planning management; (iv) preparations for the 1998 Ministerial Conference on Urbanization; (v) regional follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women; and (vi) review of the implementation of the Jakarta Declaration for the Advancement of Women in Asia and the Pacific.

3. Published material

(a) *Fifty-two recurrent publications*. (i) *Human Resources Development Newsletter* (4); (ii) *Social Development Newsletter* (4); (iii) *Asia-Pacific Population Journal* (8); (iv) *Population Headliners* (24); (v) *Newsletter on Poverty Alleviation Initiatives* (8); and (vi) *WINAP Newsletter* (4);

(b) *Thirty-two non-recurrent publications*. (i) Impact of macroeconomic liberalization on economic growth and poverty alleviation; (ii) analysis of programmes for alleviating poverty at the local level; (iii) guidelines for implementing the Agenda for Action on Social Development in the ESCAP Region; (iv) policies on emerging social issues in Asia and the Pacific (2); (v) social security for the poor in the ESCAP region; (vi) policies and programmes for strengthening the role of the family in providing social protection; (vii) directory of centres of excellence for human resources development in the ESCAP region; (viii) registration procedures for non-governmental organizations working for human resources development; (ix) innovative approaches to poverty alleviation through the planning and delivery of human resources development services in Asia and the Pacific; (x) policies and programmes for the development of human resources development among youth; (xi) approaches to community-based drug demand reduction in the ESCAP region; (xii) approaches to community-based human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS) prevention in the ESCAP region; (xiii) training manual on community-based responses to critical social issues: poverty, drug abuse and HIV/AIDS; (xiv) management of self-help organizations of people with disabilities; (xv) production and distribution of devices to assist people with disabilities; (xvi) approaches to the development of comprehensive national policies on ageing; (xvii) trends in fertility and family planning in the ESCAP region; (xviii) intraregional migration: monitoring report (2); (xix) labour force and manpower projections in the ESCAP region; (xx) role of family dynamics in population; (xxi) demographic aspects of women and poverty; (xxii) compendium of inter-agency work programmes on rural poverty alleviation; (xxiii) impact of market reforms and price liberalization on agriculture and rural development; (xxiv) market-generated rural employment for rural poverty alleviation; (xxv) manual on rural poverty alleviation through replication of successful cases; (xxvi) increasing people's participation in urban governance; (xxvii) experiences in urban community-based savings and credit systems; (xxviii) directory of non-governmental organizations on women; (xxix) improving the status of women in poverty; (xxx) promotion of small town and village industries for employment generation and poverty alleviation in rural areas;

(c) *Technical material*. Training material on the planning and delivery of human resources development services for the poor; data bank on human resources development policies and programmes; skills development and employment for youth; population information network (POPIN) and centres data bank, telecommunications and multi-media products and services; demographic data sheet; and regional database on women in development.

4. Information materials and services

Booklets, pamphlets, fact sheets, wall charts and information kits. Information materials on the Fifth Asian and Pacific Ministerial Conference on Social Welfare and Social Development; and to mark the mid-point of the Asian and Pacific Decade of Disabled Persons.

5. Operational activities (XB)

(a) *Advisory services*. Services on the impact of macroeconomic liberalization on economic growth and poverty alleviation; alleviating poverty through local-level programmes; the Agenda for Action on Social Development in the ESCAP Region; the Jakarta Plan of Action on Human Resources Development in the ESCAP Region; the Agenda for Action for the Asian and Pacific Decade of Disabled Persons; the Bali Declaration on Population and Sustainable Development; the International Conference on Population and Development Programme of Action; market-generated rural employment; the Regional Action Plan on Urbanization and support to urban forums; and the Jakarta Declaration for the Advancement of Women in Asia and the Pacific;

(b) *Group training, seminars and workshops*. The impact of macroeconomic liberalization on economic growth and poverty alleviation; poverty alleviation through local-level programmes; Agenda for Action on Social Development in the ESCAP Region; social protection to meet the basic needs of the poor; the role of the family in providing social protection; human resources development policies and programmes; utilization of human resources in the public sector; gender equity in human resources development; employment and skills development among low-income youth and youth participation in development; community-based drug demand reduction and HIV/AIDS prevention programmes; quality of life of specific disadvantaged groups through innovative policies and programmes; population policies; demographic analysis; Asia-Pacific POPIN and related projects; policies and programmes for rural and urban poverty alleviation; off-farm and non-farm employment generation and its impact on rural poverty alleviation; market-generated employment for rural poverty alleviation; rural poverty alleviation under economic liberalization regimes; participatory and gender-sensitive urban planning and management; land management for equitable access to land; alleviation of poverty among women; Jakarta Declaration for the Advancement of Women in Asia and the Pacific; and technological capabilities of small town and village industries for increased competitiveness.

6. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Substantive and technical services will be provided to the inter-agency task force on the implementation of the Agenda for Action on Social Development in the ESCAP Region; the regional inter-agency committee on poverty alleviation; the regional inter-organizational committee on urbanization; and ESCAP's regional institute, the Regional Coordination Centre for Research and Development of Coarse Grains, Pulses, Roots and Tuber Crops in the Humid Tropics of Asia and the Pacific; as well as to the Administrative Committee on Coordination machinery and other bodies, organizations and departments within the United Nations system.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

16.37 The estimated requirements relate to 28 posts in the Professional category and above and 17 Local level posts. It is proposed to establish one P-5 post for the Chief, Rural Development Section, to manage, develop and coordinate the programme of work relating to regional rural poverty alleviation, sustainable agriculture and rural development. It is also proposed to redeploy one P-4 post and one P-2 post from programme support and one P-3 post from subprogramme 1, Regional economic development, to strengthen the substantive activities of this subprogramme.

Consultants and experts

16.38 The estimated requirements of $125,700 relate to consultants to provide expertise in the preparation of specialized studies and publications ($60,600) and for the convening of ad hoc expert group meetings ($65,100).

Travel

16.39 The estimated requirements of $123,100 are requested for representation at meetings of United Nations bodies, missions on data collection in the context of preparation of publications and various studies, provision of advisory services, consultations with Governments and governmental and non-governmental organizations, servicing of the Administrative Committee on Coordination Subcommittee on Rural Development, and participation in meetings related to rural poverty alleviation.

Contractual services

16.40 The estimated requirements of $39,900 relate to the printing and binding of publications.

Subprogramme 4
Transport and communications

Table 16.15 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	3 087.0	3 887.8	—	—	3 887.8	373.4	4 261.2
Other staff costs	1.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Consultants and experts	30.0	28.5	(5.5)	(19.2)	23.0	2.8	25.8
Travel	40.8	60.5	(6.1)	(10.0)	54.4	7.0	61.4
Contractual services	4.6	5.6	0.1	1.7	5.7	0.7	6.4
Total	**3 164.2**	**3 982.4**	**(11.5)**	**(0.2)**	**3 970.9**	**383.9**	**4 354.8**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
349.8	366.1	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	390.0
—	—	(b) Substantive activities	—
		(c) Operational projects	
1 465.2	754.9	UNDP	600.0
—	—	Other multilateral resources	250.0
907.7	1 939.5	Bilateral resources	2 343.0
2 722.7	**3 060.5**	**Total**	**3 583.0**
5 886.9	**7 042.9**	**Total (1) and (2)**	**7 937.8**

Table 16.16 **Post requirements**

Programme: Transport and communications

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
P-5	2	2	—	—	2	3	4	5
P-4/3	11	12	1	—	5	4	17	16
P-2/1	3	3	—	—	—	—	3	3
Total	**17**	**18**	**1**	**—**	**7**	**7**	**25**	**25**
Other categories								
Local level	11	11	—	—	11	7	22	18
Total	**11**	**11**	**—**	**—**	**11**	**7**	**22**	**18**
Grand total	**28**	**29**	**1**	**—**	**18**	**14**	**47**	**43**

16.41 The focus of the subprogramme will be on improving the transport and communications services and infrastructural facilities of the developing countries in the region; and increasing their natural capabilities in institutional development in line with the strategic themes and related issues identified for phase II (1992-1996) of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific and with the New Delhi action plan on infrastructure development in Asia and the Pacific.

16.42 Recognizing that the provision of transport and communications infrastructure and services is a key requirement for economic growth, the activities under this subprogramme have been designed to provide maximum support to the economic growth of the countries in the region. Other significant aspects of the subprogramme are the analysis of problems in relation to infrastructure development needs and the strengthening of inter-agency coordination and cooperation in the field of transport and communications at the regional level.

Activities

1. International cooperation

External relations. Cooperation with and support to other governmental, non-governmental and intergovernmental organizations on matters related to the subprogramme.

2. Parliamentary services

(a) *Parliamentary documentation*. Report to Economic and Social Council on phase II of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific; annual reports to the Commission on the progress of work carried out under this subprogramme (2); six reports to the Committee on Transport and Communications; three reports to the meeting of ministers on infrastructure;

(b) *Substantive services*. Substantive and technical services will be provided to the meetings of the Committee on Transport and Communications; and the meeting of ministers on infrastructure;

(c) *Ad hoc expert groups and related work*. Expert group meeting on financing and administration of rural infrastructure.

3. Published materials

(a) *Eleven recurrent publications*. (i) *Review of Developments in Transport, Communications and Tourism*; (ii) *Transport and Communications Bulletin for Asia and the Pacific* (2); (iii) *Decade News* (2); (iv) *ESCAP Tourism Review* (2); and (v) *ESCAP Tourism Newsletter* (4);

(b) *Fifteen non-recurrent publications (XB)*. (i) Environmentally friendly transport; (ii) prospects for container shipping and port development; (iii) private sector participation in ports; (iv) transport of hazardous goods; (v) multimodal transport legislation; (vi) financing and administration of rural infrastructure development; (vii) trainers' manual for inland water transport; (viii) information requirements for the management of inland water transport; (ix) highway network development in Asian republics; (x) land transport corridors between Central Asia and Europe; (xi) trans-Asian railway route requirements; (xii) revised Asian highway map; (xiii) tourism development in countries along the Mekong river; (xiv) policy issues for expansion of tourism, strengthening of regional cooperation and promotion of intraregional tourism; and (xv) shipping policies in Asia and the Pacific;

(c) *Technical material*. Transport policy planning models (XB); monitoring and coordination database in support of phase II of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific and the New Delhi action plan on infrastructure development in Asia and the Pacific (XB); and development of Asian highway database.

4. Operational activities (XB)

(a) *Advisory services*. Services on financial and economic evaluation of transport infrastructure development; commercialization and private sector participation in transport; port operations; multimodal transport, freight forwarding and logistics; development and management of transport; and strengthening of national capabilities in the expansion of tourism;

(b) *Group training, seminars, and workshops*. Transport policy and planning; multimodal transport, freight forwarding and logistics; environment and safety in transport; development of rural infrastructure; development of small ports and inter-island shipping services; commercialization and private sector participation in transport; financial and economic evaluation of transport infrastructure development; facilitation of maritime transport; development and management of transport; and tourism development.

5. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Liaison and cooperation with other programmes, bodies and specialized agencies of the United Nations system on matters relating to the work programme. Substantive and technical services will be provided to the inter-agency meetings relating to phase II of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific and the New Delhi action plan on infrastructure development.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Staff costs

16.43 The estimated requirements relate to 18 posts in the Professional category and above and 11 Local level posts to implement the activities of the subprogramme. It is proposed to convert a temporary P-3 post to an established post dealing with the implementation of the New Delhi action plan on infrastructure development in Asia and the Pacific, given the continuing nature of the plan.

Consultants and experts

16.44 The estimated resource requirements of $23,000 relate to specialized expertise for the preparation of publications ($11,800) and for the convening of one ad hoc expert group meeting ($11,200).

Travel

16.45 The estimated requirements of $54,400 relate to travel of staff for fact-finding missions and data collection, consultations with Governments, United Nations bodies and the specialized agencies, and participation in national, regional and inter-agency meetings, including consultations with ESCWA on phase II of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific.

Contractual services

16.46 The estimated requirements of $5,700, relate to the printing of publications.

Subprogramme 5
Statistics

Table 16.17 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	1 918.7	2 156.8	53.8	2.4	2 210.6	208.3	2 418.9
Other staff costs	31.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
Consultants and experts	23.4	54.4	(18.4)	(33.8)	36.0	4.6	40.6
Travel	34.6	37.3	8.6	23.0	45.9	5.9	51.8
Contractual services	51.9	62.0	(10.9)	(17.5)	51.1	6.5	57.6
Total	**2 060.0**	**2 310.5**	**33.1**	**1.4**	**2 343.6**	**225.3**	**2 568.9**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
57.4	62.9	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	90.0
—	—	(b) Substantive activities	—
		(c) Operational projects	
461.0	—	UNDP	—
88.3	373.1	UNFPA	—
—	201.5	Other multilateral resources	—
420.9	908.9	Bilateral resources	1 386.0
Total	**1 027.6**	**1 546.4**		**1 476.0**
Total (1) and (2)	**3 087.6**	**3 856.9**		**4 044.9**

Table 16.18 **Post requirements**

Programme: Statistics

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
P-5	1	1	—	—	2	1	3	2
P-4/3	4	4	—	—	1	—	5	4
P-2/1	2	2	—	—	—	—	2	2
Total	**8**	**8**	**—**	**—**	**3**	**1**	**11**	**9**
Other categories								
Local level	15	15	—	—	2	2	17	17
Total	**15**	**15**	**—**	**—**	**2**	**2**	**17**	**17**
Grand total	**23**	**23**	**—**	**—**	**5**	**3**	**28**	**26**

16.47 During the biennium 1996-1997, the subprogramme will continue to assist member countries and groups of countries in developing and improving their capability to identify, collect, process, analyse and utilize the data needed for the formulation, monitoring and evaluation of development plans and policies; improve the maintenance, dissemination and availability of data on the region through the gathering of demographic, social, economic and other statistics; and foster the utilization of modern information technology in the public sector in order to strengthen the ability of the countries in the region to plan and manage economic and social development, both at central and local levels.

16.48 Activities will also include the implementation of the 1993 System of National Accounts and the development of statistics on services; intensification of work on gender statistics and on the development and utilization of data on poverty; initial preparations for the year 2000 round of population and housing censuses; and the further improvement of environment statistics and environmental and natural resource accounting. Effort will be concentrated on fully operationalizing the ESCAP statistical information system, including provision of on-line access, and on promoting electronic interchange and networking among national statistical offices of the region. Emphasis will be placed on developing the Committee on Statistics as the focus of regional statistical development, in line with the recommendations of the United Nations Statistical Commission.

Activities

1. International cooperation

External relations. Cooperation and liaison of statistical activities undertaken in the programme of work with related activities undertaken by intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations in the region.

2. Parliamentary services

(a) *Parliamentary documentation.* Report to the Commission on the progress of work carried out under the subprogramme; and five reports to the Committee on Statistics;

(b) *Substantive services.* Substantive and technical services will be provided to the meetings of the Committee on Statistics;

(c) *Ad hoc expert groups.* One ad hoc expert group to examine topics to be designated by the Committee on Statistics.

3. Published material

(a) *Twenty-six recurrent publications.* (i) *Statistical Newsletter* (8); (ii) *Government computerization newsletter* (4); (iii) *Statistical Yearbook for Asia and the Pacific* (2); (iii) *Foreign Trade Statistics of Asia and the Pacific* (2); (iv) *Statistical Indicators for Asia and the Pacific* (8); and (v) *Asia-Pacific in Figures* (2);

(b) *Seven non-recurrent publications.* (i) Statistical profiles by subregion (2); (ii) regional compendium of environmental statistics; (iii) statistical charts on thematic topics (2); and (iv) technical publications on socio-economic and environment statistics (2);

(c) *Technical materials.* Development and maintenance of the ESCAP statistical information system; ad hoc statistical information services through conventional means and on-line access; and distribution of data on diskettes and/or CD-ROM.

4. Operational activities (XB)

(a) *Advisory services.* Services on organizational and institutional issues affecting national statistical services; implementation of the 1993 System of National Accounts; economic, social and demographic statistics; electronic interchange and networking; design and development of government information systems; and technical and substantive support to the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific;

(b) *Group training, including seminars, and workshops.* Improved management and organization of national statistical services; economic statistics, including implementation of the revised System of National Accounts and the International Comparison Programme; social and demographic statistics; environment statistics and environmental accounting; and design and development of information systems.

5. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Coordination with and inputs to the Administrative Committee on Coordination machinery and other bodies, organizations and departments within the United Nations system on statistical activities.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Staff costs

16.49 The estimated requirements relate to 8 posts in the Professional category and above and 15 Local level posts.

Consultants and experts

16.50 The estimated requirements of $36,000 relate to consultants to provide expertise in the preparation of specialized publications and dissemination of outputs from the ESCAP statistical information system ($24,800); and for the convening of an expert group meeting ($11,200).

Travel

16.51 The estimated requirements of $45,900 relate to participation in regional and inter-agency meetings, consultations with Governments and data collection. The increase of $8,600 is due to the change in the periodicity of the meetings of the Statistical Commission Working Group on International Statistical Programmes and Coordination from biennial to annual and to the expanded role of ESCAP in coordination.

Contractual services

16.52 The estimated requirement of $51,100 relates to the printing of publications.

Subprogramme 6
Least developed, land-locked and island developing countries

Table 16.19 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	1992-1993 expenditures	1994-1995 appropriations	Resource growth		Total before recosting	Recosting	1996-1997 estimates
			Amount	Percentage			
Posts	338.4	1 010.9	198.5	19.6	1 209.4	114.8	1 324.2
Other staff costs	—	53.4	(53.4)	(100.0)	—	—	—
Consultants and experts	7.0	18.0	(2.7)	(15.0)	15.3	2.1	17.4
Travel	12.6	53.5	(7.6)	(14.2)	45.9	5.9	51.8
Total	**358.0**	**1 135.8**	**134.8**	**11.8**	**1 270.6**	**122.8**	**1 393.4**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	1994-1995 estimates	Source of funds	1996-1997 estimates
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
24.0	28.1	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	45.0
—	—	(b) Substantive activities	—
		(c) Operational projects	
315.5	283.4	Bilateral resources	300.0
Total	**339.5**	**311.5**	**345.0**
Total (1) and (2)	**697.5**	**1 447.3**	**1 738.4**

Table 16.20 **Post requirements**

Programme: Least developed, land-locked and island developing countries

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1994-1995	1996-1997	1994-1995	1996-1997	1994-1995	1996-1997	1994-1995	1996-1997
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
P-5	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
P-4/3	2	3	—	—	2	—	4	3
P-2/1	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
Total	**5**	**6**	**—**	**—**	**2**	**—**	**7**	**6**
Other categories								
Local level	1	1	—	—	5	1	6	2
Total	**1**	**1**	**—**	**—**	**5**	**1**	**6**	**2**
Grand total	**6**	**7**	**—**	**—**	**7**	**1**	**13**	**8**

16.53 The main orientation of work will be to assist the least developed countries in achieving the goals set out in the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s. The secretariat is undertaking a comprehensive mid-term review of the implementation of the Programme of Action to assess the achievements that have been made and to recommend measures for more effective implementation of the Programme of Action. The focus of work for the biennium 1996-1997 will be on enhancing effectiveness of action and measures at the national level; capacity-building; providing support in the implementation of ongoing economic reforms in the least developed countries with a view to improving macroeconomic management, relaxing direct controls, enhancing domestic resource mobilization, promoting private sector development, reforming public enterprises, attracting a larger inflow of foreign investment and technology, and instituting more effective measures to redress social issues, particularly with regard to alleviating poverty, human resources development and protecting the environment. Attention will also be given to the question of adequacy of resource flows to the least developed countries, including issues related to the quality of such resources, matching assistance to needs and effective utilization of aid on the part of recipient countries.

16.54 The Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, adopted at the Global Conference in 1994, calls on the Commission to coordinate the implementation of the conference outcomes at the regional level, to act as a point of liaison between the United Nations agencies and the Department for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development at Headquarters and between the United Nations agencies at the regional and subregional levels; to report on the implementation of the Programme of Action at the regional level; and to assist regional and subregional organizations and mechanisms involved in the promotion of sustainable development. The Special Body on Pacific Island Developing Countries will provide the forum for the dialogue and exchange of experience between the countries of the ESCAP region.

16.55 Activities during the biennium 1996-1997 will also address the special problems of the land-locked countries, in particular as regards transport and transit trade. These activities will lead to recommendations for suitable measures to solve these problems in accordance with international legal instruments.

Activities

1. International cooperation

External relations. Liaison and cooperation with intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations on issues related to the least developed, land-locked and Pacific island developing countries in support of the programme of work.

2. Parliamentary services

(a) *Parliamentary documentation*. Five reports to the Commission;

(b) *Substantive services*. Substantive and technical services will be provided to the Special Body on Least Developed and Land-locked Developing Countries, third session (1997); and the Special Body on Pacific Island Developing Countries, fourth session (1997).

3. Published material

Nine non-recurrent publications. (i) Follow-up to the mid-term review of progress in the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s; (ii) overcoming institutional constraints of least developed countries in implementing macroeconomic policies; (iii) increasing efficiency in resource management in the least developed countries; (iv) population and development in the least developed countries; (v) island developing countries; (vi) policy and institution-building issues associated with increased trade and investment, particularly with east and south-east Asia; (vii) manual for the design and implementation of economic stabilization, liberalization and deregulation initiatives in the Pacific island developing countries; (viii) study on shipping and port capacities in the island developing countries; and (ix) development of policy options for replacing ageing ships in the Pacific island countries.

4. Operational activities (XB)

(a) *Advisory services*. Services on economic reforms in the least developed countries; economic and financial management in Pacific island developing countries; demographic issues in the Pacific island

developing countries; institutional capability-building, including private sector development for the promotion of industrial investment and technology transfer; and promotion of sustainable development in small island developing States;

(b) *Group training, including seminars and workshops.* Follow-up to the mid-term review of progress in the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s; improving the access of women to formal credit and financial institutions in selected least developed countries; overcoming institutional constraints of least developed countries in implementing macroeconomic policies; increasing efficiency in resource management in the least developed countries; policy and institution-building for enhanced trade and investment in the Pacific island developing countries; economic stabilization, liberalization and deregulation in the Pacific island developing countries; demographic issues in the Pacific island developing countries; development of freight forwarding and multimodal transport in the land-locked countries; policy reorientation and capability-building for effective industrial and technological development, including promotion of industrial investment and technology transfer.

5. Coordination, harmonization and liaison

Coordination with and inputs to the Administrative Committee on Coordination machinery and other bodies, organizations and departments within the United Nations system on activities related to the subprogramme.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

16.56 The estimated requirements relate to six posts in the Professional category and above and one Local level post. It is proposed to establish one P-4 post for the follow-up to the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States. Provision under general temporary assistance was made for that purpose in 1995.

Other staff costs

16.57 The provision of $53,400 for general temporary assistance for the follow-up to the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States would be discontinued in connection with the proposed creation of one P-4 post mentioned above.

Consultants and experts

16.58 The estimated requirements of $15,300 relate to consultants to provide expertise in the preparation of specialized publications and studies.

Travel

16.59 The estimated requirements of $45,900 relate to attendance at the sessions of the Trade and Development Board in Geneva on matters related to the least developed countries and the sessions of the South Pacific Forum in Suva, Fiji, on matters related to the Pacific island developing countries, consultations with Governments, data collection for studies and publications and provision of advisory services.

D. Programme support

Table 16.21 **Summary by object of expenditure**
(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	*1992-1993 expenditures*	*1994-1995 appropriations*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*1996-1997 estimates*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
Posts	17 599.6	24 157.4	(765.6)	(3.1)	23 391.8	2 235.9	25 627.7
Other staff costs	541.1	494.6	—	—	494.6	62.6	557.2
Consultants and experts	4.4	0.8	(0.8)	(100.0)	—	—	—
Travel	30.6	66.7	4.3	6.4	71.0	9.7	80.7
Contractual services	375.1	171.6	58.1	33.8	229.7	28.9	258.6
General operating expenses	3 269.2	4 382.2	17.6	0.4	4 399.8	558.5	4 958.3
Supplies and materials	723.6	692.0	—	—	692.0	88.2	780.2
Equipment	1 280.3	1 241.7	226.4	18.2	1 468.1	185.1	1 653.2
Total	**23 823.9**	**31 207.0**	**(460.0)**	**(1.4)**	**30 747.0**	**3 168.9**	**33 915.9**

(2) *Extrabudgetary resources*

1992-1993 expenditures	*1994-1995 estimates*	*Source of funds*	*1996-1997 estimates*
		(a) Services in support of:	
—	—	(i) United Nations organizations	—
1 428.0	1 648.2	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	1 968.8
—	—	(b) Substantive activities	—
		(c) Operational projects	
39.9	—	UNDP	—
—	264.4	UNFPA	—
208.3	235.6	Bilateral resources	330.0
1 676.2	**2 148.2**	**Total**	**2 298.8**
25 500.1	**33 355.2**	**Total (1) and (2)**	**36 214.7**

Table 16.22 **Post requirements**

Programme support

	Established posts		*Temporary posts*					
	Regular budget		*Regular budget*		*Extrabudgetary resources*		*Total*	
	1994-1995	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*	*1994-1995*	*1996-1997*
Professional category and above								
D-1	2	2	—	—	—	—	2	2
P-5	7	7	—	—	2	1	9	8
P-4/3	45	43	—	—	1	1	46	44
P-2/1	10	10	—	—	1	1	11	11
Total	**64**	**62**	**—**	**—**	**4**	**3**	**68**	**65**
Other categories								
Local level	232	229	—	—	32	32	264	261
Field Service	3	3	—	—	—	—	3	3
Total	**235**	**232**	**—**	**—**	**32**	**32**	**267**	**264**
Grand total	**299**	**294**	**—**	**—**	**36**	**35**	**335**	**329**

16.60 Programme support comprises programme management, information services, conference services and administration and common services.

Activities

1. Programme management

(a) Activities include overall coordination of programme planning, budgeting, monitoring and evaluation services to the Commission and other meetings, collaboration with other entities and organizations of the United Nations system and appropriate outside institutions, mobilization of extrabudgetary resources and management of technical cooperation activities;

(b) *Parliamentary documentation*. Annual report to the Commission on technical cooperation activities and on economic and technical cooperation among developing countries; biennial report to the High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries; and annual reports to the Commission on the implementation of the programme of work;

(c) Two workshops on national focal points for technical cooperation among developing countries.

2. Information services

Activities include full coverage of the work of the Commission by preparing press releases, summaries of proceedings and debates, special brochures, booklets, wall charts, information kits, films, videotapes, briefings and exhibitions; and library services.

3. Conference services

Activities include the provision of conference services to meetings of the policy-making organs and other intergovernmental meetings held under the auspices of ESCAP; and translation and printing of documents and publications.

4. Administration and common services

These services relate to human resources management, financial administration and resource planning, and use of common services to support the implementation of the work programme. Activities will include (a) recruitment, placement, career development, staff training, staff administration, staff counselling and medical services; (b) financial management, control and treasury services; (c) general services, including

security and safety, communications, procurement, transportation; and (d) electronic data-processing services.

Resource requirements (at current rates)

Posts

16.61 The estimated resources relate to 62 posts in the Professional category and above, 229 Local level posts and three Field Service posts. The reclassification from Local level to P-2 of a post for a building management officer is proposed as a result of the classification exercise carried out in ESCAP. It is also proposed to redeploy one P-4 and one Local level post to subprogramme 1, Regional economic cooperation; one P-4 and one P-2 post to subprogramme 3, Poverty alleviation through economic growth and social development; and one Local level post to subprogramme 2, Environment and sustainable development. The decrease of $765,600 is due to these redeployments.

Other staff costs

16.62 The estimated requirements of $494,600 relate to general temporary assistance ($267,900) for assistance during peak workload periods and to cover the replacement of staff on extended sick leave and maternity leave, and a provision ($226,700) for overtime in peak workload periods and night differential.

Travel

16.63 The estimated requirements of $71,000 relate to travel for consultations at Headquarters and ESCAP institutes on programme coordination and administrative, financial and personnel matters.

Contractual services

16.64 The estimated requirements of $229,700 relate to language training ($55,300); external printing of publications and studies ($16,000); exhibits and other public information requirements ($5,100); and data processing ($153,300). The increase of $58,100 is due to increased requirements for software acquisition and systems design and development, partially offset by the discontinuation of provisions related to training to be centrally administered at Headquarters.

General operating expenses

16.65 The estimated requirements of $4,399,800 comprise the following: (i) $1,317,000 for rental and maintenance of premises, including a reduction of $78,200, for minor alterations, supplies and other miscellaneous expenses related to the maintenance of premises; (ii) $1,805,300 for utilities, including water and electricity; (iii) $117,500, including an increase of $38,900, for rental of office equipment for the secretariat and the conference complex; (iv) $39,900, including a decrease of $30,400, for rental and maintenance of equipment; (v) $680,900 for communications; (vi) $13,200 for official functions; (vii) $100,100, including an increase of $78,100, for maintenance of transportation, communications, and office automation equipment; and (viii) $325,900 for miscellaneous services, such as insurance, freight and related costs, and other services.

Supplies and materials

16.66 An estimated amount of $692,000 would be required for office supplies, internal reproduction supplies and data-processing supplies.

Equipment

16.67 An estimated provision of $1,468,100 would be required as follows: $207,500, including an increase of $71,700, for replacement of office equipment as part of the replacement schedule; $945,000, including an increase of $37,100, for acquisition of automation equipment and related software; $85,700, including an increase of $52,700, for replacement of printing equipment and conference-servicing equipment; $51,300 for transportation equipment; $25,600 for communication equipment; and $153,000 for other equipment, including building maintenance, medical and security and safety equipment.